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Sir.

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

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Total Claims	02	MINUS	20	00		x 9 = 00	x 18 =
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Respectfully submitted,

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<u>AMENDMENT A</u>

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 11, 2004, please amend the aboveidentified patent application as indicated in the following pages.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.

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